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TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN CLERK.—J. H. D. LITTLEHALE.

TOWN TREASURER.—H. A. WASHBURN.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR:

F. S. BENNETT, H. A. WASHBURN, WM. SHERBURNE.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

D. L. COBURN (term expires 1885), LOUVILLE CURTIS (1885), ALFRED PERHAM (1886), CHARLES DUTTON (1886), JOHN P. COBURN (1887), JOHN G. UPTON (1887).

DIRECTORS OF LIBRARY:

DANIEL PARHAM, WM. SHERBURNE, SUMNER WOODWARD, GEORGE O. PERHAM, WM. E. BARRY, LOUVILLE CURTIS, D. L. COBURN.

TAX COLLECTOR.—R. B. SHERBURNE.

CONSTABLES:

WM. SHERBURNE, D. A. LAWRENCE, F. M. MERRILL.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS:

F. S. BENNETT, W. A. INGALLS, H. L. COREY, J. W. MARSHALL, H. J. KEYES, D. A. LAWRENCE, PETER LITTLEHALE.

FIELD DRIVERS:

JOHN M. CHANDLER, JONATHAN BANCROFT, FRANK S. PERHAM.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER:

E. S. L. SWALLOW, F. S. BENNETT, H. L. COREY, E. O. FIFIELD, H. CARKIN, D. A. LAWRENCE, CHARLES H. WORCESTER, M. V. HORTON.

FENCE VIEWERS:

EBENEZER BANCROFT, JOHN PARHAM, WM. SHERBURNE.

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND BARK:

F. S. BENNETT, H. CARKIN, E. O. FIFIELD, R. S. COBURN, G. O. PERHAM.

SEALER OF LEATHER.—I. W. DAVIS.

CULLER OF HOOPS AND STAVES.—J. G. UPTON.

SUPT. OF SCALES.—J. H. D. LITTLEHALE.

HOG REEVE.—WALDO O. CUMMINGS.

SUPTS. OF BURIAL GROUNDS:

J. W. MARSHALL, WM. SHERBURNE, GEORGE E. MARSHALL, OTIS L. WRIGHT.

POUND KEEPER.—HAVEN P. COOK.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.—H. A. WASHBURN.

FISH WARDEN.—MOSES F. DAVIS.

SUPERINTENDENTS OF FUNERALS:

G. O. PERHAM, R. S. COBURN, WM. SHERBURNE.

AUDITOR.—DANIEL PARHAM.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

To the School Committee, Town of Tyngsborough, Mass.

GENTLEMEN:

I respectfully submit the enclosed tables, namely: Receipts and Expenditures, Statistics of Different Schools, and Summary of Statistics, from which you will learn the facts that relate to my department.

Teaching has been carried on this year one hundred and eighty-four weeks and three days, against two hundred and five weeks and one day last year. The estimate includes the Winslow School.

The need, to which I have called your attention, of providing at School No. 8, during the summer and fall terms, two teachers, one for the primary, and another for the higher studies, seems to me imperative. If the school were small, though mixed, as in the case of a school in one of the outlying neighborhoods, the need would not be of enough importance for mention. But the crowded state of the school, together with the mixture of primary and grammar pupils, imposes upon the single teacher the necessity of neglecting either order or instruction.

Your directions requiring two written examinations each term in Arithmetic, Grammar, Geography and History have been followed in all the schools, and the return papers have been, as far as practicable, submitted to you. Where the percentage in scholarship falls below that shown on the weekly cards, we

may generally look for one cause or several causes: First, this does not denote necessarily a failure in understanding and reasoning so much as a lapse in memory; for, secondly, the pressure of studies and the excessive number of recitations, both inevitable to the limit of time and to mixed schools, have almost crowded out the opportunity for sufficient review. A third reason may be looked for in the difficulty, experienced in the absence of the teacher's help, of grappling with the strange terms and phrases which arise in a progressive course of study.

In the Winslow School the term of twelve weeks has been a profitable one. The pupils attending have numbered thirty-four. The number last year was twenty. The profitableness of the school is, however, limited by the condition that nine months will elapse before the beginning of another term.

Education, indeed, suffers everywhere among us from protracted vacation. We are happily free, it is true, of the practice, in vogue in the populous places, of cramming the pupil's memory at the expense of his understanding and reason, but if our pupils do not suffer from the wearied mind and broken health as well as from the superficial education which result from this practice, they yet are likely to lose in respect to the habit of study and the degree of progress. The interests of education appear to be served when the demand for intelligent recitation is accompanied by that measure of vacation only which will ensure rest and recovery.

All are impressed with the feeling that there is a higher standard to be attained among us. The need, I

venture to say, is not existent so much in regard to the quality of the teaching in our schools as in other directions. I have found the teachers competent and earnest; patient in the performance of a work which makes incessant draft, in school hours, upon the vitality; ruling with a kindness and firmness which have produced excellent results in discipline, and ready to listen to practical suggestions. Whether you, gentlemen, and your constituency will be able to cope with the difficulties which rise from the conditions of a large township and a small and scattered population, so that more can be done with the money that is yearly appropriated for the support of the schools, remains for your consideration. What is now left to be done in order to make further attainment toward the higher standard, appears to me to be a lengthening of the period of tuition during the year.

W. W. TUFTS,
Superintendent of Schools.

Tyngsborough, Mass., March 25, 1885.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

RECEIPTS.

Tuition from Westford,	$ 67 80
From Winslow Fund,	121 84
From State Fund,	305 14
Town appropriation,	1150 00
Books, etc.,	46
Total,	$1,645 24

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for Teaching.

No. 1.	Maria A. Hamblett, 22 weeks,	$ 134 40
No. 2.	Amy Swain, 22 3-5 weeks,	135 60
No. 3.	Mary L. Keith, 12 weeks,	72 00
	Fannie H. Murphy, 11 3-5 weeks,	70 30
No. 4.	Carolena F. Danforth, for teaching one scholar,	6 00
No. 5.	Georgia M. Cummings, 24 weeks,	132 00
No. 6.	Susie Norris, 12 weeks,	72 00
	Ada M. Sheldon, 11 weeks,	66 00
No. 7.	Maud Hadley, 12 weeks,	72 00
	Fannie F. Phillips, 11 weeks,	66 00
No. 8.	Martha B. Kidder, 12 weeks,	90 00
	Carrie Stone, 11 weeks,	77 00
	Ada M. Sheldon, 11 3-5 weeks,	68 40
No. 9.	*W. D. Fuller, 12 weeks,	180 00
Total,		$1,241 70

Paid for Care of School-Houses and Preparing Wood.

No. 1.	Maria A. Hamblett, care of school-room,	$ 2 00
	Nellie G. Hamblett, " "	3 00
	Harry Bridgford, preparing wood,	3 00
No. 2.	Rena J. Perham, care of school-room,	3 00
No. 5.	Georgia M. Cummings, care of school-room,	2 50
No. 6.	C. A. Lawrence, preparing wood,	2 00
	Susie Norris, cleaning and care of school-room,	5 00

*Winslow School.

No. 6.	Edwin A. Gould, care of school-house, . .	1 50
No. 7.	Mrs. Ayres Butterfield, cleaning school-room, .	1 50
	Wallace Butterfield, care of school-house, .	1 50
	Edwin P. Littlehale, " " .	2 75
No. 8.	G. B. Perham, care of school-house, Apr. 1 to Sept. 1, ...	12 00
	G. B. Perham, care of school-house, . .	6 00
	Arthur Proctor, care of school-buildings, .	25 50
	Henry Worcester, preparing wood, . .	1 50
	E. O. Fifield, " " . .	1 25
	F. P. Sawyer, " " . .	1 00
		$75 00

PAID FOR FUEL.

Jesse B. Butterfield, wood for schools, . . .	$13 25
G. O. Perham, wood for school No. 8, ...	5 00
J. H. D. Littlehale, coal for school No. 8, . . .	22 70
H. A. Washburn, wood for school No. 5, . . .	11 00
William Sherburne, wood for school, ...	5 50
William Hamblett, wood for school No. 1, . . .	11 31
John M. Chandler, wood for school No. 3, . . .	5 30
William Sherburne, wood, ...	6 75
	$80 81
Books and supplies, ...	$257 23

MISCELLANEOUS.

J. G. Upton, school fixtures, ...	$ 80
Mrs. L. Curtis, care of school books, ...	15 00
	$15 80
Total, ...	$1670 54

STATISTICS OF DIFFERENT SCHOOLS.

Schools. No.	Teachers.	Length of terms, in months.	Wages of teachers per month.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Average per cent. of attendance.	Pupils not absent.	Pupils not tardy.	Whole number of tardy marks.	Number of pupils between 8 and 14 years.	Number of pupils under 5 years.	Number of Pupils over 15 years.	Whole number of pupils.	Number of pupils between 15 and 20 years.
	Summer Term.													
1	Maria A. Hamblett	2.9	$24	15.5	14.8	75.	4	9	16	6	2	0	20	
2	Amy Swain	3.	24	8.2	7.1	75.5	1	7	12	6	1	0	9	
3	Mary L. Keith	3.	24	8.1	7.2	83.3	1	0	44	6	0	0	8	
5	Georgia M. Cummings	3.	20	8.4	7.8	72.7	6	0	34	5	0	0	11	
6	Susie Norris	3.	24	6.8	6.4	88.9	2	7	0	5	0	0	7	
7	Maude Hadley	3.	24	10.08	9.4	87.5	4	6	11	5	0	1	11	
8	Martha B. Kidder	3.	30	34.8	31.2	88.5	14	15	56	12	0	1	41	
	Fall Term.													
1	Maria A. Hamblett	2.6	24	18.7	17.8	85.	3	10	23	10	1	0	21	
2	Amy Swain	2.55	24	8.	7.7	95.	2	0	41	8	0	0	8	
3	Fannie H. Murphy	2.9	24	8.	7.3	89.	1	1	57	6	0	0	8	
5	Georgia M. Cummings	3.	24	10.7	9.9	92.8	6	2	29	7	0	0	11	
6	Ada M. Sheldon,	2.75	24	8.3	8.	87.8	7	6	6	5	0	2	9	
7	Fannie F. Phillips	2.75	24	9.	7.6	91.6	0	4	13	5	0	1	9	
8	Carrie Stone	2.75	28	36.3	31.7	90.1	9	17	66	30	0	4	39	
	Winter Term.													
8	Ada M. Sheldon	2.9	24	26.6	23.	69.7	9	22	51	19	0	0	32	
9	W. D. Fuller (Winslow school)	3.	60	31.9	29.1	82.6	3	17	59	11	0	16	34	16

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Population of Tyngsboro'—631.

Number of persons in town between five and fifteen years of age—87.

Number of different pupils of all ages in all the public schools during the school year—115.

Number attending within the year under five years of age—3.

Number attending within the year over fifteen years of age—18.

Number attending within the year between eight and fourteen years of age—75.

Average membership of all the schools, 16 terms—15.6.

The per cent. of attendance based upon the average member ship—84.7.

The average attendance in all the public schools during the school year, 16 terms—14.1.

Whole number of tardy marks in all the schools—518.

Current expenses (including wages of teachers, text books and supplies, fuel, and care of houses)—$1670.84.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

In compliance with the requirements of the Statutes of the Commonwealth, the School Committee of Tyngsborough herewith present their annual report for the year ending March 24, 1885:—

For information pertaining to the management of the different schools during the year, and their present condition, together with an account of the receipts and expenditures for the same, we refer you to the report of the Superintendent, which is hereto annexed.

The law compelling cities and towns to furnish text-books and supplies to all pupils attending public schools, went into effect at the beginning of the fall term. The system adopted by your committee for carrying the law into effect has been carefully considered, and is briefly outlined in the following:—

At the close of the spring term, the names of all the pupils attending school were taken by the several teachers, together with the number and kind of books belonging to them fit for use. On the information obtained in this way, was based an approximate estimate

of the quantity of books and supplies needed during the year. The old books owned by the pupils were thus brought into use, and the town saved the expense of an entire new outfit.

The following is a copy of label pasted in each book loaned:—

PROPERTY

OF THE

Town of Tyngsborough, Mass.

It is loaned to the pupil on the following conditions:

1. It is to be carefully used and not marked or defaced.
2. It is not to be taken from the school-room without the consent of the teacher.
3. If lost or injured it is to be paid for by the scholar using it.

TO WHOM LOANED.	WHEN.
.....	.....
.....	.....
.....	.....

An account book is furnished each teacher, in which to enter the name of each pupil, also the kind and condition of the book loaned. At the close of the term the teacher reports to the School Committee, or an agent appointed by them, the condition of the books, the number worn out or destroyed, and the number suitable for use the next term.

A book is also kept by the School Committee or agent appointed by them, in which are recorded, under

the proper date, the number and kind of books and supplies ordered by each teacher. In this way the cost of books and supplies in any school can be ascertained at once.

With the above, or a similar system, the committee can estimate the quantity and kind of books and supplies needed by the several schools during the next term, and at the same time it will serve as a check on carelessness and extravagance in the use of public property.

Your committee think it is for the best interests of the town to have the accounts so kept that at any time the cost, location and condition of town property, and the care taken of it by teacher and pupil, can be determined. If such accounts are faithfully kept, we believe the annual expense to the town need not be burdensome.

We believe, with a fair trial, the beneficial influences of the law will equal the anticipations of its originators. Our schools are now free indeed. No child, however poor, need be deprived of the full benefits to be derived from a regular attendance at school, because of not being able to procure the necessary books. During the winter term, a much larger per cent. of the pupils have pursued the higher branches than ever before, due to the fact that they could do so without extra expense. Under the old system, many would have been obliged to purchase books for use during a single term,

then to be laid aside, perhaps never to be used again. Under the new system, the books used last term can be used during future term by the same or other pupils, until they are worn out or unfit for use.

The total cost of books and supplies purchased during the year has been $255.28. The value of new books and supplies on hand is $101.05. Therefore, the cost of books loaned and supplies actually used is $154.23, or at an average expense of $1.34 for each pupil attending school.

JOHN P. COBURN,
D. L. COBURN,
LOUVILLE CURTIS,
CHARLES DUTTON,
JOHN G. UPTON,
ALFRED PERHAM.
} *School Committee.*

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

DIRECTORS OF TYNGSBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY.

To the Citizens of Tyngsborough :

In our Library affairs nothing of special interest has occurred since our last report. The books are in good condition, and the patrons of the Library call for a better class of reading from year to year, and books of travel and scientific works are increasing in favor. The statement of Willard Small of Boston, that he sells a larger percentage of books of travel to the Tyngsborough Public Library than to any other public library in the State, is worth mentioning. The picnic at Willow Dale for the benefit of the Library, although providing ample means of enjoyment for both old and young, did not furnish our treasury with as much money as the picnic of the previous year.

We feel honored by the continued interest felt in our Library by the Hon. William A. Richardson and the Hon. William A. Russell, which they manifest from time to time by the donations of books, and thanks are also due to those of our own citizens who have favored us in a like manner.

In conclusion we would say, with the directors of 1880, that the requirements of the Library "have outgrown its accommodations, and the room that was barely sufficient for the Social Library is inadequate for our present use."

For further particulars in relation to the Library, we refer you to the reports of the Librarian and Treasurer, which are hereto annexed.

DANIEL PARHAM,
WILLIAM SHERBURNE,
SUMNER WOODWARD,
GEORGE O. PERHAM,
WILLIAM E. BARRY,
LOUVILLE CURTIS,
DANIEL L. COBURN.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Directors of Tyngsborough Public Library:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit my Sixth Annual Report, containing the statistics of the Library, for the year ending March 24, 1885:

Whole number of volumes in Library,	2421
Number of volumes added during the year,	94
Number of volumes added by purchase,	63
Number of volumes donated,	13
Number of pamphlets donated,	5
Number of public documents received,	18
Number of pamphlets received,	17
Number of periodicals regularly received (donated),	2
Number of volumes rebound,	33
Number of volumes worn out and unfit for circulation,	1
Number of volumes lost,	3
Number of volumes delivered during the year,	3354
Number of days library opened for delivery of books,	51
Average number of books delivered each week,	66
Number of persons taking books,	222

LOUVILLE CURTIS,
Librarian.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

YEAR ENDING MARCH 17TH, 1885.

RECEIPTS.

From Edward Pierce,	$ 10 00
Proceeds Willow Dale Picnic,	32 39
William Blanchard, one book,	2 70
Fines, etc.,	3 65
Town treasurer, dog tax,	73 91
	$122 65

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Willard Small for books,	$ 60 36
Bacheller, Dumas & Co., for binding,	9 20
Marden & Rowell, 2,000 labels,	3 50
Librarian, salary $25, expenses $1.10,	26 10
Cash in treasurer's hands,	23 42
	$122 65

WILLIAM SHERBURNE,
Treasurer.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Valuation of Real Estate, May 1st, 1884,	$283,112
" " Personal Property,	39,293
Total valuation,	$322,405

Number of polls,	171
Number of dwelling houses,	136
Number of horses,	115
Number of cows,	288
Number of sheep,	11
State tax,	$ 440 00
County tax,	202 40
Town tax,	4,350 00
Overlayings,	185 70

F. S. BENNETT,
H. A. WASHBURN,
WILLIAM SHERBURNE,
Selectmen of Tyngsborough.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1884.

Births recorded: Males 3, females 2, total 5; all of native parentage. Marriages recorded, 4. Deaths recorded: Males 4, females, 3; total 7.

Number of dogs licensed: Males 37, at $2 each $74; females 2, at $5 each $10.00; total $84. Amount of fees for licenses 39 dogs at 20 cents each, $7.80. Balance paid into the county treasury, $76.20.

J. H. D. LITTLEHALE, *Town Clerk.*

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF TOWN SCALES.

Amount received for weighing on town scales for year ending December 31, 1884, $10.00.

J. H. D. LITTLEHALE, *Supt.*

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Bal. brought forward from 1883 . . .		$731 18
Collected and paid treasurer . . .	$464 65	
Abated by assessors	5 10	
Balance of 1883	261 43	
		$731 18
Amount of warrant of 1884 . . .		$4,738 10
Amount paid treasurer	$3,450 72	
County tax paid	202 40	
Discount on tax	193 00	
Abated	2 10	
Balance uncollected	889 80	
		$4,738 10

R. B. SHERBURNE, *Tax Collector.*

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT.

H. A. WASHBURN, Town Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury, March 24, 1884, ...	$1,093 87
Received of R. B. Sherburne, collector for 1883, . .	464 65
" " " " " 1884, . .	3,450 72

Locks & Canal Co., Water damage,	1 00
Liquor Licenses,	550 00
Use of town hall,	5 25
Mr. William Simonds, auctioneer's license,	2 00
Corporation tax,	469 62
National bank tax,	193 19
State aid,	123 00
Income of school fund,	305 14
Dog licenses,	73 91
Town of Westford, tuition,	67 80
Repairs on bridge, county commissioners,	3 00
Books, etc., sold,	46
Coal sold,	1 62
Use of hay scales,	10 00
Rent on N. Merrill house,	12 00
Rent on Ferry house,	30 00
J. T. Lund, rent on shop,	3 00
55½ cords of wood sold from town farm,	157 95
Received of H. B. Ruiter,	45 95
Amount received,	$7,064 13
Amount paid out,	5,544 40
Balance in Treasury, March 24, 1885,	$1,519 73

H. A. Washburn, Town Treasurer.

EXPENDITURES.

For cash paid on orders of selectmen,	$3,416 25
Interest on town notes,	546 30
Principal on town note,	1,000 00
State treasurer, liquor licenses,	137 50
State tax,	440 00
Register of voters,	85
	$5,540 90
Outstanding order paid,	3 50
	$5,544 40
Balance in treasury, March 24, 1885,	1,519 73
	$7,064 13

H. A. WASHBURN, *Town Treasurer.*

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Division No. 1,	F. S. Bennett . . .	$112 27	
" 2,	W. A. Ingalls . . .	80 20	
" 3,	H. L. Corey . . .	69 75	
" 4,	J. W. Marshall . . .	97 25	
" 5,	H. J. Keyes . . .	100 00	
" 6,	D. A. Lawrence . . .	102 75	
" 7,	P. Littlehale . . .	129 35	
			$691 57
" 1,	Snow bill—F. S. Bennett . . .		6 20
" 2,	W. A. Ingalls		3 00
" 3,	H. L. Corey		28 37
" 4,	J. W. Marshall		6 00
" 5,	H. J. Keyes		7 00
" 6,	D. A. Lawrence		2 50
" 7,	P. Littlehale		3 50
Total	. . . . .		$748 14

PAY OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Jesse B. Butterfield, bal. of salary for 1884 . .	$ 5 00
S. S. Sherman, bal. of salary for 1884 . . .	5 00
W. W. Tufts, superintendent of schools . . .	60 00
J. H. D. Littlehale, town clerk, ...	25 00
" " expenses	2 00
" " superintendent of scales . .	10 00
R. B. Sherburne, collecting taxes 1883 . . .	9 88
" " " 1884 . . .	76 80
F. S. Bennett, pay as overseer of the poor . . .	24 70
" " selectman	18 75
" " assessor	24 55
H. A. Washburn " selectman	12 25
" " overseer of poor	21 38
" " assessor	23 50
" " treasurer	25 00
Wm. Sherburne " overseer of poor	7 00

Wm. Sherburne, pay as selectman	8 00
" " assessor	23 00
Total	$381 81

STATE AID.

UNDER CHAPTER 30, PUBLIC STATUTES, SEC. 2 TO 7.

Mrs. Sarah P. Darling, ...	$ 36 00
B. S. Hamlet, ...	36 00
Family of Rocavious Brown, ...	54 00

UNDER CHAP. 30, SEC. 10 TO 13.

Oscar Pearson, ...	72 00
Total, ...	$198 00
Poor off the farm.—Mrs. Rebecca Holden, . . .	$12 00
Library, ...	$73 91

INCIDENTALS.

Paid for cutting wood on town farm, ...	$ 30 00
For cutting wood on town farm, ...	42 08
Marden & Rowell, printing town reports for 1884,	30 00
George A. Byam, for legal service on account of A. Waugh, ...	22 25
E. H. Shaw, insurance on town buildings, . .	35 00
James T. Lund, repairs on town building, . .	17 95
G. W. Bearce, repairs on school house, No. 1, .	1 00
Marden & Rowell, advertising, ...	1 00
G. B. Perham, care of Town hall, ...	2 00
W. A. Sherburne, repairs on school house, . .	4 25
J. H. D. Littlehale, repairs on town scales, . .	2 00
J. H. D. Littlehale, sundries as per bill, . .	11 67
James Danforth, attendance at funeral of Samuel Kidder and E. T. Epps, ...	5 00
C. E. Mitchell, repairs on N. Merrill house, .	9 50
G. O. Perham, conducting funerals and returning deaths, as per bill, ...	20 70
James T. Lund, repairs on town buildings, . .	6 19

George D. Danforth, expense as committee on Dunstable road,	5 75
J. G. Upton, lumber,	90
R. B. Sherburne, tax bills,	3 75
R. S. Coburn, conducting funerals and returning deaths,	6 20
F. Wilson, repairs on town cart,	30 50
H. A. Washburn, sundries as per bill,	7 60
William Sherburne, sundries as per bill,	10 00
Coffin and robe for E. T. Epps,	12 00
Coffin and robe for Samuel Kidder,	12 00
	$329 29

SUMMARY.

State aid	$198 00
Town officials	381 81
Roads and bridges	748 14
Incidental expenses	329 29
Poor off farm	12 00
Schools	1,548 70
Library	73 91
Treasury order for town farm	124 40
Total	$3,416 25

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

City Institution for Savings,	$7,000 00	
Lucy Littlefield's note,	1,000 00	
J. M. Plaisted, outstanding order,	526 00	
		$8,526 00

ASSETS.

Cash in treasury March 24, 1885,	$1,519 73	
Due from Commonwealth on acc't of State paupers,	133 75	
State aid,	162 00	

Uncollected taxes, 1883,	261 43	
" " 1884,	889 88	
		$2,966 79
Debt Mar. 24, 1885,		5,559 21
Debt Mar. 24, 1884,		7,407 20
Decrease in town debt,		$1,847 99

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TRUST FUNDS.

$6,667.50 of the Lawrence Fund for the poor remains invested in the City of Boston 5's, 1905. $288.61 of the income has been appropriated for the support of poor on the farm. The balance of income, $11.39, has not been drawn. The Lawrence poor fund of $1000.00 is invested in Butterfield lot (so called), and the interest has been expended for the support of the poor on and off the farm.

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REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF POOR FARM.

INCOME ACCOUNT.

Lawrence Poor Fund	$288 61
23,580 quarts milk	761 60
Calves	15 12
Eggs	18 03
Rhubarb	1 44
Potatoes	30 75
Work	17 50
Peas	38
Beets	1 80
Cucumbers	2 80
Squash	1 44
Turnips	6 80
Onions	26 00
Chickens	8 38
Apples	32 00
Tomatoes	30
Two cows	71 00

Pigs	16 50
Pork	1 70
Ham	51
Sled	25 00
Teaming 41½ cords oak wook at $2 per cord	83 00
14 " pine and trash at $1.25 per cord	17 50
Treasury order	124 40
Total	$1,552 56

EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

Groceries and provisions,	$ 381 44
Paint and hardware,	6 93
Crockery,	30
Medicine and tobacco,	22 49
Soap,	80
Book,	50
Blacksmithing,	34 00
Boots, shoes, clothing, etc.,	39 36
Garden and grass seeds,	5 78
Farm labor,	119 75
Grain,	265 95
New tools and repairs on old,	17 70
Oil,	1 70
Oat straw,	3 20
1 cow,	52 00
Making cider,	3 36
Use of bull,	3 00
Dressing hogs,	1 50
Superintendent, salary,	450 00
Sled	35 00
Furniture, bedding, etc., as per bills	61 85
Paid town treasurer	45 95
Total	$1,552 56

Value personal property, March 22, 1884	$1,899 15
" " " " 21, 1885	1,862 97
Loss in personal property	$36 18
Number of tramps lodged and fed	145

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the accounts of the Town Treasurer, Selectmen, and Overseers of the Poor, and find them correctly cast.

DANIEL PARHAM, *Auditor.*

Tyngsboro', Mar. 27, 1885.

The committee chosen to appraise the Town Farm have attended to that duty and report that, in their estimation, the wood suitable

to cut is worth	$800 00	
The land and buildings are worth . .	3,000 00	
		$3,800 00
The wood on the Butterfield pasture is worth	$850 00	
And the land is worth	550 00	
		1,400 00
Total, ...		$5,200 00

JOHN PARHAM,
D. A. LAWRENCE,
F. S. BENNETT, } *Committee.*
H. A. WASHBURN,
WM. SHERBURNE,

WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX, SS.

To WILLIAM SHERBURNE, *Constable of the Town of Tyngsborough, in the County of Middlesex.* GREETING.

IN the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Tyngsborough, aforesaid, qualified to vote in the elections and town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall, in Tyngsborough, on Monday, the sixth day of April, A. D. eighteen hundred and eighty-five, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and then and there act on the following articles, viz. :—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the report of the Town Treasurer, and act thereon.

ART. 3. To hear the report of the Overseers of the Poor, and act thereon.

ART. 4. To hear the report of the Selectmen, and act thereon.

ART. 5. To hear the report of the School Committee, and act thereon.

ART. 6. To hear the report of the Directors of the Town Library, and act thereon.

ART. 7. To hear the report of the Committee on the Danforth Road, and act thereon.

ART. 8. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

ART. 9. To bring in their votes for Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, seven Directors of Town Library, two School Committee for three years, seven Highway Surveyors, two Constables, each on separate ballots.

ART. 10. To choose a Collector of Taxes.

ART. 11. To choose all other necessary Town Officers.

ART. 12. To vote by ballot, Yes or No, on the question: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town.

Art. 13. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town expenses for the ensuing year.

Art. 14. To see what (if any) discount the town will allow on taxes paid on or before a certain time, and what (if any) interest the town will charge on taxes unpaid after a certain time.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to repair the town farm buildings.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up an attested copy at the Unitarian meeting house, ten days, at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands, at said Tyngsboro', this, the twenty-fourth day of March, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighty-five.

FRANK S. BENNETT,
H. A. WASHBURN,
WM. SHERBURNE,
} *Selectmen of Tyngsboro'.*